

The time for the assembling of the Illinois Legislature is drawing on apace, and as a consequence Democrats and Independent Reformers are becoming more and more patriotic. "Offices, my boy, offices"—that's what's the matter. In the general scramble for clerkships, etc., Macon county will be well represented. Funk, of the *Marion News* is said to be distributing his portraits around over the State broadcast, with the hope of becoming clerk of the House—a position to which he would bring talents of the highest order. P. W. Taylor freely expresses the opinion that it's a don't "get something" it will only be another evidence of the fact that Republicans are ungrateful. "Murat," by virtue of his advocacy of the DeWitt county senator, is fondly looking for the mass of a sergeant-at-arms in the upper house, while Uncle Billy Young "would rather be a door-keeper in the house"—than not to have his claims recognized at all. It is generally believed that the ancient and venerable William will really succeed in his aspirations this time, as the vote of "Marion" will have nothing to do with the count. Meantime, the wicked and corrupt Republicans are partially compensated for their loss of the loaves and fishes by the happiness they experience in beholding "how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity," and then, the novelty of seeing the office seek the man seems to divert their attention from their grief, and to turn their thoughts in the direction from whence comes all true reform.

Oh, it's a good thing to have a patriotic and self-sacrificing example set before the eyes of the people once in a while.

THE *Peoria Transcript*, alluding to the Vicksburg massacre, inquires: "Shall majorities always rule?" No, not always. Never, if negroes constitute the majority. At least so we can conclude from the Vicksburg massacre.

OMAHA is very mad. King Kalakaua happened to be sick when he passed through that city, and not wishing to disappoint the curious throng that gathered at the depot to see him, he sent his colored barber out to do the handsome thing by the crowd. The barber was interviewed by a *Herald* reporter, cheered by the men and kissed by the ladies. Not until a day or two after did the joke leak out. And now very justly is Omaha exceedingly wrath.

It is now stated that a caucus will be held by the Republican members of Congress this week, at which they hope to agree upon a financial policy which will restore confidence in the party and bring prosperity to the country. It is believed that none of the measures now under consideration can be adopted, but it is thought a new bill will be introduced combining the good points of all which will be passed by Congress and receive the sanction of the President. If we can't get the whole loaf, "let us have peace."

THE Supreme Court of the State of Michigan not long ago decided that the railroad-aid bonds issued by township to railroads were invalid, the law under which they were granted being unconstitutional. As the bonds began to mature, holders began to demand their money. Non-residents had the advantage of a recent decision of the United States Supreme Court, which declared such bonds to be valid, and therefore sued upon them in the United States Court in Detroit. So far, judgments have been given against eighteen cities and townships, to the aggregate amount of \$244,964. Suits are still pending against seven townships.

ETIQUETTE.
A Yankee out west, who recently wrote home to his mother that he had seen a live Hoosier, has sent her home another epistle, on western etiquette. Here it is:

Western people go to their death on etiquette. You can't tell a man here how to live. A few days ago a man was telling two of his neighbors, in my hearing, a pretty large story. Says I, "stranger, that's a whopper." Says he, "lay there, stranger," and in a twinkling of an eye, I found myself in a ditch, a perfect quadruped, the worse for wear and tear. Upon another occasion says I to a man I never saw before, as a woman passed him, "that isn't a specimen of your western woman, is it?" Says he, "you are afraid of fever and ague, stranger, aren't you?" "Very much," says I. "Well," replied he, "that lady is my wife, and if you don't apologize in two minutes, by the honor of a gentleman, I swear that these two pistols," which he held in his hands, "shall cure you entirely—so don't fear, stranger." So I knelt down and apologized. I admire the country very much, but damn me if I can stand so much etiquette, it always takes me unawares.

MANUFACTURERS are magical in their working. On the border of the Connecticut valley lies a territory, rocky and wild, whose people, twenty years ago, were like their fathers of happy memory—poor and blessed with many children. The hungry raven passed it hastily by, and even the wild fox refused to make its hole in its hillsides. Through this valley flowed a tiny brook which bore away to the Connecticut river the surplus rain and ill-spent soil, the loss of the latter causing the rock surface to spread out wider and wider year by year. A Maine fellow chanced that way and after frequent libations—not from the brook, but at the grocery—told the gaping farmers the brook was their fortune. Some giggled at this, others shook their heads—all agreed he was mad or a fool. Incensed at their verdict, he mounted a whisky barrel, and gave them a most sensible talk about co-operative unions, utilizing of water-power, etc. When he had ended his speech, they wished they had not laughed. They went to work; the brook was widened; they dammed it above the village. The farmers pulled down their old blue stockings, and put all their hard money in the enterprise—some fifty, some a hundred and some a thousand dollars. They built their factories and elected officers. A year or two ago we passed that place. Twenty-one factories dot that little brook, five thousand people dwell in or about that village, which formerly contained an hundred souls, and that community is one of the wealthiest and most intelligent to be found in the Nutmeg State.

DEPEND upon it if you meet a man now-a-days who is profuse in his assertions and protestations of fealty to the glorious old Democratic party, that that man is after a clerkship in our next legislature.

Under the tyranny and despotism of a decaying monarchial system, the expenditure for royal parks and palaces and other public institutions, including buildings, should of course be much greater than that of a great and glorious Republic, where economy and simplicity are the prevailing characteristics. The New York *Tribune* has been comparing the annual expenditure in the United States and England. In the latter overtaxed and downtrodden country the entire expenditure of the Government was \$8,000,000, including public buildings, ambassadors' residences abroad, harbors of refuge, a national thanksgiving, and many other miscellaneous items. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1874, the expenditures on private were \$12,000,000. For the present year there are forty appropriations, ranging from \$5,000 to \$1,447,271 for public buildings. The cost of maintaining the vast and extravagant palaces of the Royal family in England amounts to £11,552, raised, of course, by cruelty and oppression. This includes the current expenses of the Houses of Parliament. Congress appropriates an equal sum, \$225,000 "for fuel, light and water, and miscellaneous items required by juniors and freshmen in the proper care of the public buildings under the control of the Treasury." So far the economy seems to be on the other side. When it is duly considered that the American expenditures do not include the Executive mansion, nor the Capitol, nor Congressional furniture, nor public grounds at Washington, the simplicity and economy of our Government must be best be dismissed out of hearing.

Winter Stock of Hats and Caps.—The best ever brought to Decatur, at

TELEGRAPHIC.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.
(Reported Expressly for the Daily Republican.)

FROM NEW ORLEANS,
MORE TROUBLE IMMINENT IN THE CITY.

LATEST FROM VICKSBURG.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Death of a Newspaper.

SUICIDE AT PEORIA.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Mr. Parker, of Missouri, to-day introduced a bill to provide for the government and to promote the civilization of Indians. It provides that, except as to crimes committed in the Indian country, the punishment of which is expressly provided for by law, the general laws of the United States shall be enforced on all Indians, and that jurisdiction over such cases is vested in United States Circuit and District Courts. The bill further provides that when any nation or tribe of Indians shall establish proper laws for their own government, the President shall issue a proclamation approving such laws, and they shall be binding upon all officers of the United States as to the distribution of a per capita treaty money to individual persons for their benefit.

Mr. Finck's bill with reference to prepayment of newspaper postage, introduced in the house to-day provides for the repeal of the postal law of June 23d, 1873, which, after the first of January next, requires the prepayment of this class of matter at the office receiving.

The resumption of specie payments, suggested by Mr. Farwell's bill, presented in the House, is, that all limitations by the national banking act limiting the aggregate amount of national bank note circulation to any one bank be repealed, and that national bank notes shall be issued to old and new associations at ninety cents upon the dollar of full value of any United States coin bonds deposited for that purpose.

The Secretary of the Treasury is directed to retire and cancel, first of each month, beginning the first of next July, \$100,000 in United States notes, and thus continue until those outstanding shall be at par with gold. Surplus revenue to be used by the Secretary of the Treasury, but if any time he finds the same insufficient for the purpose, he is directed to sell a sufficient amount of bonds authorized to be issued by act of July 14, 1874.

Negley's bill for the improvement of the Ohio river appropriates \$200,000 for further continuing the work. The bill introduced in the house to-day by Mr. Morrison, of Ill., for continuing the improvement of the Mississippi River between the Missouri and Illinois Rivers appropriates \$50,000 for the purpose.

The House Appropriation Committee have agreed to amend legislative, executive and judicial appropriation by restoring mileage to United States officers instead of actual traveling expenses. Under the law as it now stands many officers are charged under the head of expenses not contemplated by law. The Committee are of the opinion that the restoration of the mileage system will be in the interest of economy.

The Sub-Committee on Civil Rights will report to the Judiciary Committee an amended bill with the mixed school and cemetery clauses provided for by the Senate bill struck down. A vote will be taken to-morrow, and it is believed the bill will receive the favorable action of a majority of the committee and thus be reported to the House.

The old scheme for the construction of the narrow-gauge railroad between Washington and Cincinnati, St. Louis and Chicago, was revived to-day by the introduction of a bill in aid of the road by Mr. Hurlbut, of Illinois. A somewhat similar bill was introduced by a Virginia member the last session, and is now before the Committee on Railroads and Canals. The road was originally incorporated under the laws of Virginia. The bill of to-day recognizes such corporation by the United States and gives it power to construct said railroad through West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois to St. Louis and Chicago. The company is directed to reach Cincinnati at Point Pleasant, in Mason county, thence to cross the Ohio river by bridge or tunnel. The capital stock is fixed at \$15,000,000, in shares of \$100 each. The company is authorized to issue bonds to the amount of \$100 each, and interest and principal, payable in gold at 5 per cent. The bill provides for the government insuring these bonds to guarantee the interest at the rate of \$17,000 for each mile of mountain road and \$11,000 per mile of each mile of the Western Division.

The Tremaine libel bill is regarded by a number, who only had a chance to glance over it in manuscript, as simply another method of legalizing an indictment of any editor in the country in the courts of this district for the matter deemed libelous against residents of the district.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14.—John A. Davis, Supervisor of Registration, and six Commissioners of Election of St. Helena parish, made affidavit that the election returns from that parish, now in the hands of the Returning Board have been tampered with, and changes and alterations made in them since they were delivered to the Secretary of the Board. Mr. Arrows offered a resolution that as the returns filed by him had, according to sworn statements, been tampered with, the Board should, before acting on the returns, examine the charges; adopted. The investigation will be made to-morrow.

Gov. Wells proposed a Democratic counsel examine all the evidence and affidavits regarding the contested parish, and then submit the whole to a board. The Conservatives objected, because certain papers had been placed among the records without their knowledge, and requested that the papers of each parish be laid before them, that they may see that none of the papers have been abstracted. This was acquiesced in. Gov. Wells rose and stated that he had just been officially informed that the White Leaguers were in the adjacent building, ready to disturb the proceedings, and he moved an adjournment.

Mr. Chester, a colored member suggested that an adjournment would only precipitate the excitement. Mr. Schoonaker suggested calling on the United States troops, which he was informed would be furnished if desired. Mr. Wells did not wish to canvass the returns under the protection of the United States troops, and did not intend to be intimidated, and insisted on an adjournment till 11 o'clock, which was agreed to.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The *Evening Mail* has a New Orleans special, signed by Gov. Kellogg, dated at noon, in which he says the members of the Returning Board are in session at the State house, making their final compilation.

On the streets there is much subdued excitement. The *Bulletin* and *Picayune*, rival organs of the White League, vie with each other in making sensational statements to keep up and increase the excitement.

The *Picayune* of this morning says that Gov. Kellogg has instructed Capt. Lawler, the officer in charge of the defenses of the State house, that if he can end up against attack for twenty minutes, the streets will run with blood. Gov. Kellogg authorizes the statement that he has never made any such assertion to Capt. Lawler or any one else. A grand convulsion of the White League is convened for to-morrow night, and it is not probable that any movement will be made until after that meeting.

PEORIA, ILL., Dec. 14.—Late last evening a man named Fred. Koerner, of German nationality, committed suicide by blowing out his brains with a pistol. He was found in his bed at the Tazewell House, on Water street, with an empty pistol in his hand. No cause is known for the rash act, except that deceased had been out of employment for some time, and it is supposed he became melancholy and ended his life while feeling unusually despondent.

VICKSBURG, Dec. 14.—Dr. Bowen, foreman of the grand jury of this county, in the Vicksburg *Herald* to-morrow will publish a denial of Governor Ames' statement that he (Bowen) had indicated the belief of Crosby's innocence. Rumors telegraphed yesterday that the negroes were massing throughout the country, proved untrue.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The Police Superintendent received a dispatch from Fort Hamilton, Long Island, this morning, stating that William Mosher and Joseph Douglas, burglars, were shot last night, and that Douglas, before dying, declared that Mosher knew all about Charles Ross, the child stolen from Philadelphia.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Intense feeling is being aroused in France by some of the papers read in the Von Arnim trial. One dispatch, especially, in which Bismarck says he cannot but wish to see France weak, and deems it undesirable to strengthen her by contributing to the establishment of a monarchy, causes profound indignation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The new *Republic* newspaper suspended publication to-day. Mr. Norrell, the responsible editor, has been ill at his home for the past two weeks.

UNTIL Mr. James Snow, of Contra-ville, Ill., wrote to the *Democrat* of that village, the succulent quail was associated rather with the stomach than with the heart. He says that for a man to say quails eat chintz-bugs is not to develop what is in a quail's stomach. And then comes this touching essay on the ephemeral nature of that juicy bird: "They belong to one man no more more than to another. They are transient. To-day they may be on my farm; to-morrow on my neighbor's, and the next day on another." Think of the perjury of the quail, and then agree with Mr. Snow, "that the man who forbids his neighbor to shoot quail on his premises shows such a person is fit for treason, stratagem and spoils." "It tells what a man would do if he had the power."

It also tells that if Mr. Snow has a farm at all, the quails do not find it as rich and productive as other people's farms, and fight shy of it.

New Advertisements.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

THE CO-PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing between Peter Bohrer and J. A. Bohrer, under the name of J. A. Bohrer & Co., was dissolved on the 15th day of December, 1874, by mutual consent. All parties indebted to the firm will be pleased to see all the patrons of the late firm.

THE undersigned will continue the milling business at the old stand, under the firm name of Greenfield, Bohrer & Co., where they will be pleased to see all the patrons of the late firm.

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GOOD TABLE KNIVES AND FORKS.

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FRENCH CHINA GOLD BAND TEA SETS.

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At About Half Price.

ENGLISH GOLD BAND STONE-CHINA CHAMBER SETS—Eleven Pieces—

\$6.

LARGE HEAVY TABLE TUMBLERS.

50 Cts. per Set.

GLASS PRESERVE DISHES.

10 Cents Each.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF LAMPS—complete—from

50 Cents Upwards.

GLASS GOBLITS.

60 Cents per Set.

HEAVY TEA SPOONS—Warranted not to Change Color.

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THE BEST BAKING COOKING STOVE, with thirty pieces.

At Price to Suit All.

QUEENSWARE, GLASSWARE, TIN-GLASS, and a variety of Housekeepers' Goods.

At Popular Prices.

AT LIDDLES.

Dec. 4-14w.

NOTICE.

BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL the 24th of Dec for medical attendance on the patient on the north side of the Decatur township, for the year 1875, to perform all necessary medical duties, and furnish all medicines and stimulants necessary in their practice.

By CAMRON, E. HOUSE, ROBT. MORRIS, Committee.

Dec. 10, 1874-w2w.

NOTICE.

BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL the 15th day of January next, for a fine estate on the north side of Four Home and Poor Farm, for one year (from the first day of March, 1875).

M. G. CAMRON, E. HOUSE, ROBT. MORRIS, Committee.

Dec. 10, 1874-w3w.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

TAKEN UP by Andrew Hawkyard, at his residence, in the town of Austin, in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, on the 15th day of November, A. D. 1874, an estray mare, described as follows: State color, bay; one eye mare, about fifteen hands high; about fifteen years old; no marks or brands perceptible—apprehended at St. Louis.

H. W. WAGGONER, Co. Clerk.

Dec. 9-w3w-dit.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

TAKEN UP by John Cash, at his residence in the town of South Macon, in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, on the 5th day of November, A. D. 1874, a fine estate on the north side of Four Home and Poor Farm, for one year (from the first day of March, 1875).

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Also, a case of Setts, Collars and Cuffs, and Linen and Cambric Hdkfs. all in handsome boxes, which are less expensive and very suitable, having been gotten up with that design.

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We will receive (by the 12th Dec.) another lot of those elegant Black Alpaca, at 50 cents—the best goods ever in the city for the price, (they go like hot cakes); and at the same time 3 doz. more LATEST STYLE CLOAKS.

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Decatur, Dec. 15, 1874-d4w

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New Stock of Fall and Winter Goods has arrived, and is opened and ready for the inspection of the Public.

His Stock consists of a complete line of Dress Goods, Silks, Flannels, Jeans, Cassimeres, Domestic, Shawls, Blankets and Bed Quilts. Also a full line of Ladies and Gents' Furnishing Goods.

We have also added a full line of GERMAN MANTOWN YARNS.

We are also Agents for the celebrated New Brand EXPOSITION ALPACA, to which we especially invite the Attention of the Ladies. Don't forget the place,

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Decatur, September 15, 1874-d1f

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November 17, 1873. d4w-3m.

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TO DAILY SUBSCRIBERS.

Subscriptions to the DAILY REPUBLICAN will be collected every Saturday, unless otherwise ordered. We would be much obliged if our subscribers would inform the carrier at what particular place they desire their papers to be left.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

Oysters in bulk, or by the can, Imboden's.

School children are in high glee anticipation of holiday vacation.

Livery teams are taking a rest while the roads are bad.

Superior coffee sugar at Neidermeyer's—very cheap.

A crowded house greeted the Black Crook entertainment last evening.

Over a hundred people took tea Kitchen's stand on Saturday last.

A wedding in high life is soon come off.

Wild game is not as plenty in the market as it was, but will be likely increase in quantity as the holidays approach.

An auction and commission store has been opened in the building on door south of Young & Norman's barbershop.

Go to J. Ulrich & Co's for choicest canned or dried fruit.

The young farmers now have a little to do, and employ the greater part of their spare time in hunting.

Everybody seems to feel the inspiring effect of the glorious sunshine, bracing air of yesterday and to-day.

Improvements in sidewalks are going on in various directions, but "tidal wave" has not yet reached the coast street.

